## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

E. I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY,	)	
,	)	C.A. No. 07-346 SLR
Plaintiff,	)	
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v.	)	
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MECHANICAL INTEGRITY, INC.,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

### PLAINTIFF E. I. DU PONT DE NEMOURS AND COMPANY'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company ("DuPont") hereby moves, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 15, for an order allowing DuPont leave to file an amended complaint in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. The grounds for this motion are as follows:

- 1. DuPont seeks to amend its complaint to add additional claims of breach of contract and fraud arising from Defendant Mechanical Integrity, Inc.'s ("MI") recently disclosed decision to subcontract the work under the parties' contract to another company, NDT. The parties' contract forbids MI from subcontracting without DuPont's written permission. DuPont gave no such permission and, indeed, did not even know of NDT's involvement until MI filed its proposed Third Party Complaint.
- 2. In accordance with Local Rule 15.1, DuPont has attached the following documents: (i) DuPont's Amended Complaint (Exhibit A), and (ii) a black-lined comparison of the Amended Complaint to the original Complaint that indicates the differences between the

documents by bracketing material deleted from and underlining material added to the Original Complaint (Exhibit B).

- 3. Leave to amend is freely granted absent delay accompanied by prejudice, bad faith, dilatory motive, or futility. Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a); Foman v. Davis, 371 U.S. 178, 182 (1962); Howze v. Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., 750 F.2d 1208, 1212 (3d Cir. 1984). There has been no delay in seeking this amendment because DuPont has only recently discovered the evidence that gives rise to its new claims, when MI filed its motion for leave to file a third party complaint. After that motion was filed, DuPont conducted a review of the parties' contract and filed this motion within the November 2, 2007 deadline set by the Court for the amendment of pleadings. The Amended Complaint is filed in good faith. There can be no undue prejudice to MI by the amendment because the parties have barely begun fact discovery, with over four months until fact discovery closes. The new claims are well supported and, indeed, are based upon MI's own allegations in its third party complaint against NDT.
- 4. Accordingly, DuPont respectfully requests that leave be granted to file the proposed Amended Complaint. A proposed form of order is being filed simultaneously herewith.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Sarah Elizabeth DiLuzio, hereby certify this 2nd day of November, 2007, that the foregoing MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT was electronically filed with U.S. District Court District of Delaware via CM/ECF (Official Court Electronic Document Filing System) and two (2) true and correct copies were sent via U.S. Mail to the following:

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- 4. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332, because diversity of citizenship exists between the plaintiff and defendant, and the damages DuPont has sustained exceed \$75,000.
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#### Facts

- 7. DuPont's Plant in Louisville Kentucky manufactures neoprene, or synthetic rubber, as well as ozone-safe, non-chlorofluorocarbon substitutes such as Suva® refrigerants and Dymel® propellants.
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- 11. MI was aware that one of the purposes of the inspection was for DuPont to identify repair work that needed to be performed on the pipeline during the scheduled Louisville Plant shutdown in April 2004.
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- 59. At no time did DuPont consent to MI's decision to subcontract its obligations under the parties' Contract.
- 60. MI's unilateral decision to subcontract the performance of its obligations under the parties' Contract constitutes an independent breach of that Contract.
- As a result of MI's breach of the terms of the Contract, DuPont has suffered additional damages to be determined at trial.

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- 65. MI falsely and affirmatively represented that it performed the pipeline inspection, while knowing that representation to be false.
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- 68. Had DuPont known that MI would subcontract the inspection and/or drafting of the Inspection Report to NDT and/or Mike Walker, DuPont would not have retained MI.
- 69. As a result of its reliance on MI's fraud, DuPont has suffered additional damages to be determined at trial.

#### COUNT VII: FRAUD (DEPRIVING DUPONT OF A REMEDY)

- 70. DuPont repeats and realleges paragraphs 1 through 69 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 71. DuPont acted in justifiable reliance on MI's fraud by filing this lawsuit against MI alone.
- 72. Had DuPont known of NDT's involvement, it would have named NDT and Mike Walker, individually, as defendants in this lawsuit as well.
- 73. MI's fraud has potentially deprived DuPont of recovery against NDT and/or Walker for their part in the inspection and Inspection Report.
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#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

DuPont respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment in favor of DuPont, as follows:

- (a) against defendant MI for damages in the amount of at least \$2,029,462.21;
- (b) against defendant MI for pre- and post-judgment interest on the sum of all damages awarded to DuPont against the defendant;
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- (e) against defendant MI for the fees and costs incurred in asserting this action, including attorneys' fees; and
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- 60. MI's unilateral decision to subcontract the performance of its obligations under the parties' Contract constitutes an independent breach of that Contract.
- 61. As a result of MI's breach of the terms of the Contract, DuPont has suffered additional damages to be determined at trial.

### COUNT VI: FRAUD (SUBCONTRACTING)

- 62. <u>DuPont repeats and realleges paragraphs 1 through 61 above as if fully set</u> forth herein.
- 63. By virtue of the parties' Contract, MI had a duty to disclose, and seek prior written consent for, its decision to subcontract its inspection obligations to Walker and NDT.
- 64. MI falsely and affirmatively represented that Walker was an MI employee while knowing that representation to be false.

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- 65. MI falsely and affirmatively represented that it performed the pipeline inspection, while knowing that representation to be false.
- 66. MI falsely and affirmatively represented that it drafted the Inspection Report, while knowing that representation to be false.
- MI was aware that DuPont would rely upon its misrepresentation that

  Walker was a MI employee and/or that it performed the inspection and/or that it drafted

  the Inspection Report, and, by failing to disclose the truth, MI intended to induce DuPont
  to refrain from objecting to the subcontracting arrangement.
- 68. Had DuPont known that MI would subcontract the inspection and/or drafting of the Inspection Report to NDT and/or Mike Walker, DuPont would not have retained MI.
- 69. As a result of its reliance on MI's fraud, DuPont has suffered additional damages to be determined at trial.

#### <u>COUNT VII: FRAUD</u> (DEPRIVING DUPONT OF A REMEDY)

- 70. DuPont repeats and realleges paragraphs 1 through 69 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 71. DuPont acted in justifiable reliance on MI's fraud by filing this lawsuit against MI alone.
- 72. Had DuPont known of NDT's involvement, it would have named NDT and Mike Walker, individually, as defendants in this lawsuit as well.
- 73. MI's fraud has potentially deprived DuPont of recovery against NDT and/or Walker for their part in the inspection and Inspection Report.

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74. As a result of its reliance on MI's fraud, DuPont has suffered additional damages to be determined at trial.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

DuPont respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment in favor of DuPont, as follows:

- (a) against defendant MI for damages in the amount of at least \$2,029,462.21;
- (b) against defendant MI for pre- and post-judgment interest on the sum of all damages awarded to DuPont against the defendant;
- (c) against defendant MI for punitive damages based on its reckless and/or intentional conduct<u>in performing an inadequate inspection and issuing an inaccurate</u>

  Inspection Report;
- (d) against defendant MI for punitive damages based on its fraudulent conduct in surreptitiously subcontracting its obligations under the Contract and continuing to misrepresent that Walker was an employee of MI;
- (e) against defendant MI for the fees and costs incurred in asserting this action, including attorneys' fees; and
  - (df) such other and further relief the Court may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,
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#### **LOCAL RULE 7.1.1 CERTIFICATION**

Counsel for Plaintiff E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company certifies that opposing counsel was contacted in an effort to reach agreement on the matters set forth in this Motion. Counsel were unable to reach agreement on the amendment requested.

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